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"Musharraf Embarks Upon Multi-City USA & Canada Tour"

PHILADELPHIA - October 5, 2011 - Pervez Musharraf, Former President of Pakistan and Chief of All Pakistan Muslim League (APML), arrives today in Washington, DC to begin his 12 city tour of United States and Canada.

The former President Musharraf will be a featured speaker at 2011 Washington Ideas Forum where he will share the stage with Vice President of United States, Joe Biden, Speaker of the House, John Boehner, Senator Marco Rubio, Senior White House Advisor, Valerie Jared, Congressman Paul Ryan, former Vice President, Dick Cheney, and former Secretary of State, Dr. Henry Kissinger.

Former President Musharraf will meet several senior members of Congress and Senate. He will speak at the Bill Clinton Presidential Library in Little Rock, Arkansas, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington, DC, Washington College, Chestertown, Maryland, Drew University, Madison, New Jersey and Council on Foreign Relations, New York, NY.

In every city President Musharraf will attend receptions hosted by the Pakistani Diaspora and office bearers of All Pakistan Muslim League.

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"Musharraf Spends Busy Day on Capitol Hill --- Meets Nancy Pelosi, Carl Levin, John McCain"

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10, 2011 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- Pervez Musharraf, former President of Pakistan and chief of All Pakistan Muslim League (APML) during his visit to Washington, DC met senior leaders in the congress and senate, including Minority leader, Nancy Pelosi (D-CA), Chairman of Armed Services Committee, Senator Carl Levin (D-MI), Ranking member foreign relations, Senator Richard Lugar (R-IN), Ranking member Intelligence committee, Senator Saxby Chambliss (R-GA), member Armed services, Senator Lindsay Graham (R-SC), and Senator John McCain (R-AZ).

The former President stressed to the US lawmakers that casting suspicion on the intention and resolve of the Pakistan Army and ISI to fight extremism and terrorism is misplaced and is damaging the global efforts to win the war against terrorism.

The former President asked that the United States must address the concerns of Pakistan related to security and stability in Afghanistan following the withdrawal of US combat forces in 2014. The former President also demanded that the United States must intervene to check the rapidly increasing anti-Pakistan influence of India in Afghanistan. The former President agreed with the US lawmakers that Pakistan must clarify and demystify as to why it is not acting against the "Haqqani network" in North Waziristan. He said that no one including the Haqqani network should be allowed to use Pakistan as a launching pad to plan and conduct terrorist's attacks and operations against coalition forces in Afghanistan.

When asked about the current situation of Pakistan, the former president observed that the government presently is dysfunctional and that the two major political parties, PPP and PML-N, have failed to deliver to the people of Pakistan. He spoke of the necessity of creating another political alternative, which is capable of addressing the problems of the State, enjoys the confidence of the people and has an international standing. Such an alternative can emerge if the next elections are free, fair and transparent. This could only be possible if the forthcoming elections are held under the supervision of the Pakistan Army.

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